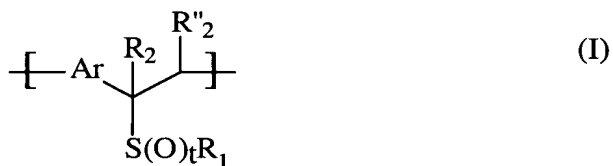


## ABSTRACT:

A polymer comprising structural units of the formula I is prepared according to a novel method, in which the starting compound  $R_1'S-(CHR'_2)-Ar-(CHR_2)-SR_1$  is polymerized with a base, preferably in an aprotic solvent. The polymer comprises 50 to 1000 structural units of the formula I. The solution comprising the polymer thus prepared has a lower viscosity than a solution of a similar polymer with a greater chain length. The solution comprising the polymer thus prepared may be applied as a layer on a substrate. Electronic components with layers prepared with the polymer of the invention show better properties.



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